

DECLARATION OF SCOTT SAREM

I, Scott Sarem, declare as follows:

1. All statements made in this declaration are of my own knowledge and are true. All statements made in this declaration are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful statements and the like may jeopardize the validity of the above-captioned application, and any patent issuing thereon.

2. The most common large volume drivers have a face depth of 48mm, 49mm, 51mm, 52mm, 54mm, 56mm, and 57mm. It is desirable to tee the golf ball in the same position for every drive, such that the golf ball is teed up in a position that ensures that the equator of the golf ball is at the top of the driver at address. This placement helps to ensure that the golf ball is teed up in the proper position so that the modern driver will perform optimally.


By teeing the ball so that the equator of the golf ball is at the top of the driver at address, the launch angle of the golf ball is maximized while backspin on the golf ball is minimized. The higher trajectory for the golf ball and less backspin result in optimal carry and roll distance. I therefore invented the golf tee, which is the subject of this patent application, that permits teeing up the golf ball perfectly every time.

3. I have caused the golf tees, according to the invention claimed in this patent application, manufactured with various distances from the top surface to the ball support surface. I have then personally conducted experiments with

using tees of various distances from the top surface to the ball support surface with drivers having face depths of 48mm, 49mm, 51mm, 52mm, 54mm, 56mm, and 57mm. Exhibit "A" to this declaration is a table that contains true and correct results of said experiments. I have also conducted comparative tests with conventional tees, as well as the tees disclosed in the patent to Sand (6,475,107). By way of these experiments, I have discovered that the tees according to this invention perform better than either conventional tees or those disclosed in the patent to Sand (6,475,107).

4. Specifically, the tees having the distance from the top surface to the ball support surface of 37mm provide unexpected and best result with the drivers having face depth of 48mm. The tees having the distance from the top surface to the ball support surface of 38mm provide unexpected and best result with the drivers having face depth of 49mm. The tees having the distance from the top surface to the ball support surface of 40mm provide unexpected and best result with the drivers having face depth of 51mm.

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Scott Sarem, Declarant